

REMARKS**I. Introduction**

Claims 1-9 and 32-48 are pending in the above application.

Claims 1-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102.

II. Amendments

Claims 12-31 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 1, 2 and 3 have been amended.

Claims 32-48 are newly added.

No new matter has been added.

III. Prior Art Rejections

Claims 1-9, 12-15, 17-28, 30-31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Shimomura et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,600,492).

Anticipation under 35 U.S.C. § 102 requires that each and every element of the claim be disclosed in a prior art reference as arranged in the claim. See, *Akzo N.V. v. U.S. Int'l Trade Commission*, 808 F.2d 1471 (Fed. Cir. 1986); *Connell v. Sears, Roebuck & Co.*, 220 USPQ 193, 198 (Fed. Cir. 1983).

Shimomura does not disclose a graphics which includes a graphics processor which compares the priority of storing a graphics command to the first or second data storing means with the priority of the data transfer operation, as recited by amended claim 1. Shimomura discloses a rendering circuit which outputs an address to an internal bus and then reads out a command when the rendering core reads graphic data. See, Fig. 3; col. 5: 14-42. However, Shimomura does not disclose to change the priority of the bus.

Accordingly, as Shimomura does not disclose each and every limitation of amended claim 1, Shimomura does not anticipate amended claim 1, nor claims 2-9 which depend on amended claim 1.

IV. New Claims 32-48

New claims 32-35 depend on amended claim 1, and hence are believed to be patentable at least for the same reasons as amended claim 1. New claims 34-48 are believed to recite combinations of elements which are not disclosed or suggested by the prior art and hence, are believed to be patentable over the prior art.

V. Conclusion

Having fully responded to all matters raised in the Office Action, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance, an indication for which is respectfully solicited.


If there are any outstanding issues that might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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